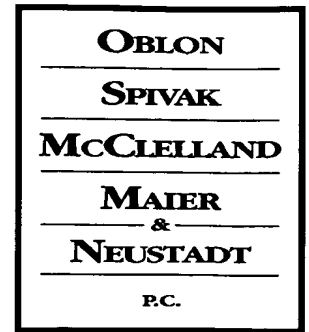




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of \$0 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date on which further action will be taken on this Application. An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 was filed June 14, 2005, responsive to an Office Action mailed March 22, 2005. An Information Disclosure Statement, Cited References (1) and a Statement of Relevancy were filed September 26, 2005.

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